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THE LAWN IS
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MEETINGS

First Monday of the month Town Hall
Germantown Ave. and Haines St., at 8:00 PM

NET FREQUENCIES

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29493 is monitored from 0830 to 0001 daily
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NETS

SEN 0730-0830 Wkdays- "10 on 10" 1000 Sun.
Blarney sessions anytime. All on Channel 1

From The President

SECOND CALL FOR PICNIC

In recent months there have been occasional discussions regarding the possibility of holding a joint picnic in conjunction with the Washington Mobile Radio Club. It had been proposed to meet them at some point approximately midway between Philadelphia and Washington at a park or picnic grove. The idea was kicked around at a few midmonth meetings and it was written up by ED in the BLURB. All indications were that such an affair would be second only to our own banquet, and should be a howling success. Andy, W3NL, was simultaneously working on the same thing with the Washington Club and approached us with a request to set the date. Since there was not enough time to bring the subject up at a regular meeting and return an answer to W3NL for their consideration, it was necessary to find out on the air who was definitely interested in such an affair. With over forty stations present on the 10 on 10 Net, only two indicated any interest at all, and one is not a member of PMRC. Of those contacted at other times, only two were definitely interested. Because of this lack of interest, Andy was reluctantly asked to postpone the affair indefinitely. The most prevalent reason for not wishing to participate was that 70 or 80 miles was too far to travel. This reaction is somewhat confusing because; 1. we are a mobile club; 2. we seem to consider ourselves as a sociable bunch who enjoy meeting others; and 3. we are always on the lookout for new technical dope. Perhaps the question on a final definite decision to combine a function just happened to hit at a wrong time. Then, again, maybe a lot of people who are interested were not contacted simply because of the short time involved in this particular instance. At present, the idea has only been postponed and may be reopened for discussion if sufficient interest develops. Think over the possibilities then sign up for a swell time. W3QZO

THE LATEST SCOOP -- The next rig hunt will be the 1st Sunday after the July meeting. Announcements will be made at the regular meeting. Tex wants to have riders participate. The score was reported in error in the last Blurb. W3DOO is 2nd with a count of 80 instead of 60. This makes the cheese a little more binding for W3QOH. -- If you can't find W3EM on channel 1 look on 29,560 for any Bucks Co. station. -- W3CNO is keeping 28,888 hot for the Montgomery Co. gang. -- Did you know that W3DHJ reads the latest ARRL bulletins nightly Sunday through Friday on 28,888 at 2145 hours.

W3DHJ has not made the "gravy train" yet so it is reported. He has shown the now famous club film "Every Single Minute" at a number of places and hasn't had a free meal yet. The North Penn group enjoyed the film a great deal at their annual banquet May 26.

All the loud comments outside the meetings lately are issuing from the new bull horn lashup of W3NIP. He has info on a good low cost way to do it. ---W3WNC as you may know by now has taken up the fine job of the SEN net in the mornings which W3JGB had to release. Bob you will recall did the honors for over a year and was probably the biggest influence in increasing club membership and interest to what it is. Hy has now taken on the job - hear his melodious gargle every morning keeping the mobiles going to work in order. Tis a rite fine effort Hy. -- W2DLY is now W3DGA. --- The Central Michigan Amateur Radio Club sends best regards to Philmont via W3PWG with a bit of praise for the Blurb and "Every Single Minute". W3SFA "Dick" and W3TIJ "Lyle" are a couple of the spark plugs in that bunch. Lyle is Secretary - Dick announces he is proud papa again with another boy. --- Chet W3UQM is heard from these days with a new AF67 and a G66 rec now installed in his new Chev. --- W3ID, Frank announces thru the IRC blurb that Calif. has 16,000 auto license plates issued to hams. Who candig up the Penna. score? --- Andy's (W3NL) article "Do You Want To Be An Editor" from a recent Autocall sure has been picked up far and wide. Tri-State Sparks recently reprinted it. --- ED is trying to monitor all the club papers that are strictly mobile - if any of you hear of 'a strictly mobile club' let him know. An interesting bit appeared in the REA News put out by the St. Paul Mobile Radio Club. It implies an activity in which we have not engaged which sounds like an offshoot of the rig hunt - you figure it out - maybe we should give it a once around Tex? "The Mystery Mobile Excursion was enjoyed recently by quite a crowd of club members and their families (about 20 or more) and friends. The locale turned out to be Orchard Lake at the Sea Girt Inn. Prizes were donated by \$1000. TKO took first prize (a6146) YCR came out 2nd best with a new call book, KOW was 3rd, and PHZ (another PXY) straggled in about an hour after everybody and was awarded the booby prize (a mobile tie-down clip." --- They also reported another new twist - "W3TJI brings back from somewhere in Iowa a sample 'Ham Buck'. Ham Bucks are redeemable at the local stores in radio parts. They are distributed on the basis of participation in events. The more active the member, the more ham bucks he'll have to spend at the end of the year. The method of financing is unknown but it sounds like a good idea." --- You have to be careful what you say at meetings these days - Ernie W3D&G "Oinie" has a new tape recorder and gets everything down. --- In reading many of the papers that come in to this ED - there seems to be the consensus of opinion among EDs that all Ham Papers are the sole effort of one person. While this was true at one time the Blurb when ye ED wrote typed, printed-licked, stamped, mailed the works - it is certainly not true now. When it got out of hand and ED sounded for help, a very able staff came forward sparkplugged by W3IW. The last wednesday of the month is now a ritual for the various and sundry duties of publishing. W3IW carries the entire load of printing as you may know. It is of special note that W3WNC and W3IOZ meandered into the 'Publishers Meeting' a while back and have been there several times since which makes them official members of the Printing and Circulation Department. Many thanks for the assist fellows.

W3QOH ran across a mess of Leece Nevilles for \$30 each. Several of the fellows signed up for them. --- W3SAI has been doing the thankless job of lining up speakers and programs for the meetings.

Please give him all the assist you can. The only way it can be done successfully is to get them well out ahead. The present lineup:

July	W3PXY - Design of Military Equipment
August	W3JGB - Tricks with Electronic Components
Sept.	W3NIP - Picture program of club activities
Oct.	W3KNC-W3QZO - Not announced
Nov.	W3IJM - Buy more gas. Hi.

We need them six months in advance and we are not quite there yet so give out with the ideas.

TAKE TIME

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Take time TO THINK...
It is the source of power.
Take time TO PLAY...
It is the secret of perpetual youth.
Take time TO READ...
It is the fountain of wisdom.
Take time TO PRAY...
It is the greatest power on earth.
Take time TO LOVE and BE LOVED...
It is a God-given privilege.
Take time TO BE FRIENDLY...
It is the road to happiness.
Take time TO LAUGH...
It is the music of the soul.
Take time TO GIVE...
It is too short a day to be selfish.
Take time TO WORK...
It is the price of success.

It seems that Jay, W3IM, witnessed the escape of a gunman following a daring daylight robbery of a center-city jewelry store. Jay, being an artist, made his services available to the police and furnished them with sketches of the criminal. Within four hours the police had in custody all the officers of Philmont, a not-in-such-Good Humor Ice Cream truck driver, a carton of king size cigarettes, Frenchie's parakeet and a 64-element Yagi array which was to be used on 2 meters during Field Day.

The account which I read did not mention the extent of the loot, or whether it had been recovered. All of the above are being held for the Grand Jury.

73 for now, de W3SAI

We sure have some choice bits this month get a load of the next few ---
Doc Rose is having chicken trouble. Seems Mina W3UKJ decided to hatch chicks in the basement. When the chicks came in the Conelrad went out. That seemed cold so she stole his electric heater from the darkroom. They seemed damp so he stole the dehumidifier from the dark room. They still seemed cold so she borrowed the ultraviolet light from the bedroom for the other side of the chicks. About this time Miss Lucy (XYL) decided it was time to leave for Texas where she is promoting a wedding in the family and everything is still up in the air. Incidentally, Doc and Mina left around the 19th of June for same. --- Seems Adele Gerson's daughter Carolyn baked her a cake for her birthday. When it arrived, Carolyn's comment was 'I couldn't get all those candles on the cake so I just put on 5 for the years you've been at Breezeway'. Adele and Jack Benney should have an understanding at 39 years. -- Adele and Bill Gerson were discussing various husbands and wives and the possibility of marrying for money. I quote Adele 'You must have married me for Love, Bill'. --- What bunch of "Mudheads" assembled the June blurb? Unquote

Post Field Day Ad: Found by W3DQG at the field day site, a wallet containing \$100.00 - will the person who lost it form a double line at Olinies Qth and identify same. --- At's the best we've had in a long time and the author wouldn't even identify himself. --- W3QQH started "polishing up" 3 days in advance of his Television debut on "5 Minutes more". --- ED lost his notes so he quotes from memory - It seems the boys cooked up a deal to fill up this 5 minute spot in the WCAU- - 11:25 P.M. TV program June 13th. The first thing that appeared on the screen was Jim's auto license plate with Ed McMahon talking about ham activities in the area. They had a 2 way

conversation with W3NIP and rung in a walkie talkie bit. It was very cleverly done by the boys with John Facenda chiming in. --- W3IRS's modulation is ultra BC quality - How does he do it???? --- "Bloop" when is W3VSD going to get rid of his short "Bloop" at the beginning of each xmission? --- W3DHJ rilly gives his tonsils a workout on 75m ssb - First Double Headed Donald Duck! --- The North Penn ARC now have as a permanent addition to the club station W3BTN a Viking II and a VFO. --- Before PD there was some question who would win the RO 82K (Royale Order of the 82,000 ohm resistor). There seems to be no doubt who is way out ahead. Hi. For the uninitiated the RO 82K is on a plane with a booby prize. More on that later. --- W3ETA is mobile again with a hi power rig built by W3BES. --- W3VVS is DXn on 160 having worked Salem Depot N.H. --- Paul says let's have some more prizes like last time - dig deep in the junk box fellers. --- W3QV has a new set of bottles in his Channel 1 807 powerhouse. --- W3VVS is building a rig for 6m yet. --- W3QCV, W3DOD and W3UMK were among those present at a Lower Merion C.D. meeting in June. W3UMK was made Liaison man with Montgomery Co., i.e. with W3HYD and W3CNO. Woody, Phila's Radio Officer was also present. --- W3CCB Bob (our law man) is active again after having a serious session in the horsepistol. --- You fellows notice how regular W3EM makes the meetings since they are in Germantown? The move was a blessing in disguise. --- RESCO sells crystals to all hams and guarantees them PMRC contacts with it. You may know what freq. they tried to pick. All those they have sold are 1 kc. or more below the channel. --- We saw Les Widick at one of the recent meetings. He has so many aliases we can't keep track of them all. W5HOG, K4BZJ, W3RIE. Les has a 30 day leave and then heads out to South Carolina. --- One of the fellows commented that last months BLORB was a Do It Yourself Blurb - ED thot the staff was giving him the business again when his copy arrived with the pages all cockeyed. ED didn't say boo about it - at the meeting the truth came out - all of them were that way - 10 demerits for the staff. --- Check the groupe we have from the club in CD. --- PMRC has most of the state level jobs in this area.

STATE LEVEL

W3BGR	Eastern Area Radio Officer	RACES
W3UKF	Eastern Area Radio Officer Senior Deputy	RACES
W3QQH	Eastern Area Radio Officer Junior Deputy	RACES
W3HFD	District Radio Officer (one of four)	RACES
W3ADV	Net Control Station Eastern Area	RACES
W3IW	Delaware County Key Station	RACES
W3TOZ	Mobile Station	RACES
W3YJM	Mobile Station	RACES
W3WNC	Mobile Station	RACES
W3VVS	Mobile Station	RACES
W3UMK	Mobile Station	RACES
W3SAI	Mobile Station	RACES
W3SAA	Mobile Station	RACES
W3QZO	Mobile Station	RACES
W3NIP	Mobile Station	RACES
W3LNQ	Mobile Station	RACES
W3KNC	Mobile Station	RACES
W3KDO	Mobile Station	RACES
W3IW	Mobile Station	RACES
W3CDY	Mobile Station	RACES
W3CDB	Mobile Station	RACES
W3DOD	Mobile Station	RACES
W3HQJ	Mobile Station	RACES
W3QQH	Mobile Station	RACES
W3 IM	Mobile Station	RACES

COUNTY LEVEL

W3EM	Bucks County Radio Officer	RACES
W3FUY	Bucks County Communications Officer	RACES
W3CNO	Montgomery County Radio Officer	RACES

TOWNSHIP LEVEL

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W3ADF	Net Control - Haverford Township (technical group)	
W3ZN	Communications Officer Upper Darby	
W3UVL	CD Station	
W3IRS	CD Station	RACES
W3WVT	CD Station	
W3JGB	CD Station	
W3KNC	CD Station	RACES
W3PWG	CD Station	RACES
W3VSU	CD Station	
W3GPX	CD Station	
W3VXN	CD Station	

The above list is not complete so those who want to get on it please exercise the 2 cent post card that is enclosed in every BLURB. Since adoption of W3D&G's idea for news procurement we have had excellent results. Cards are coming in regularly. We receive about 10% and the percentage is growing. We think however some of the gang are working on a stamp collection for 2 cent penny post card stamps. Look-you guys - you can't soak off the stamp and use it - the only other conclusion we can draw is that you are saving them for a long book length epistle which will run as a serial. Whatever the case it is your money being spent and if you don't put the cards to good use 'tis your own fault. Let's get the return up to at least 75%. ---

"Every Single Minute"

Since the production of the now famous film by W3VXN and the club we have arranged for copies to C.D. and ARRL. We want every one to see it. Our list is far from complete but here are some who have asked for it. --- The following have seen it. -

<u>Club</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Viewers</u>
PMRC Annual Banquet	Nov. 17	103
8-16 Movie Club		50
Rock Island Amateur Radio Club		
Red Lion Radio Club	April 3	41
Washington Council of Clubs	April 6	67
North Penn ARC	April 26	81
Bucks County Rotary	May 1	
Radio Association of Western New York	May 12	55
Central Michigan Radio Club	June 1	
Delaware Valley Radio Club	June 13	
Bucks County Fire and Police		
Radio Amateur Society		25
York Road Radio Club		50
South Jersey Radio Club		70
Newtown Square Lions		30
Bucks County Radio Club		
Norristown High School		15

The film is available to anyone wishing to schedule it for a cost of \$3.00 to cover replacement. Write Clinton Spencer Jr., 124 Central Ave., North Hills, Pennsylvania. ---

The boys of the Central Michigan Radio Club are looking for a replacement voltage regulator for a E-97 motor-generator set. If anyone has info on same please contact ED. He expects to visit those

boys on vacation about Monday July 16. ED always has a big charge out of traveling thru Michigan and getting on the Buzzards Roost Freq. of 3930. Those fellows use that frequency state wide with lots of mobile activity. ---We are sorry to be late on this months rag. FD came at the usual inopportune time as far as the BLURB is concerned. It's tough for the staff to be two places at one time. --- Next months BLURB will be short in view of vacations. We will cover FD and give out with the Score - Hi.

NEW MOBILES HEARD - W3ZZR

VISITORS TO THE LAST MEETING - W3UQM, Dinger W00ZS, W3S00, W3RIZ, W3YUW.

ANNOUNCEMENTS -

PMRC Picnic Holiday Park, New Jersey Date to be announced
Transmitter Hunt-Location unknown(find it) For information on
the next transmitter hunt tune on 10 on 10 net.

August 6

PMRC Meeting

C R SPENCER OR W30QH
124 CENTRAL AVENUE
NORTH HILLS PENNA

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